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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Davey et al.

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FOR: High-Throughput Assay For Virus Entry
And Drug Screening

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT,
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) AND
CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR 1.8**

Dear Sir:

In response to a Restriction Requirement mailed March 22, 2006, for the above-referenced application, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-13, drawn to a method of detecting virus binding and entry to a target cell, without traverse. Applicants further elect the species HIV Nef protein as the envelop protein for the envelop protein-enzyme fusion protein formation in claim 11 and elect Vesicular Stomatitis virus envelop protein as the wild type viral envelop protein in claim 12, without traverse. Claims 1-13 read on the elected species.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Restriction Requirement mailed, March 22, 2006, in the above-referenced application, be extended for one (1) month to and including May 22, 2006. Please charge the \$60 extension fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) to the credit card shown in the attached PTO form and in the absence of said form,

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